Payment of PF. Arrears

333. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA-
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR;

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pJeased to state:

(a) what is the total amount of arrears dut from employrs shere of contribution remaining unpaid, in respect) off different sectors of industry and trade as On 1st July, 1994 and the comparative figures as on 1st April of the years 1994 1993 and 1992;

(b) what steps are being taken to ensure clearance of arrears; and

(e) what steps are being taken to amend the law suitably to ensure smooth clearance of these dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) The requisite information as on 1.7.94 is not available. However the total amount of EPF arrears in respect of the unexempted establish-meats during the last 3 years was as given below:

As On	Amount (Rs.no) crores
1st April, 1992	
1st April, 1993	267.4
1st April, *1994*	*365.7*

The information about the employers' share of dues is not maintained separately.

(b) and (e) The existing leffal and panel provisions of the EPF & MP Act are considered presently adequate to ensure recovery of the outstanding dues. Necessary action im. der Sections 7A, 8B & 14 *is Inane* taken by the EPF authorities accordingly.

***Wage* Board for joumaliists**

854. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR. SHINDE: SHRI RAJUBHAI *A.* PAIRMAR: SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(3.) whether the Joint Action Committee for Wage Board of Journalists has recently submitted a memorandum to Government demanding an upward revision in the pay scales of Working Journalists and declaration of 50 per cent of the wages and salaries as inttrim relief; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Goverment with regard Sherto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

'(b) The Government have decided to set pune Wage Boards for Working Journalists and Non-Journalist Newspaper employees for revision of wages etc.

Unorganised labour in various fielsls

855. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleasec[1]. to state:

(a) what are the plans of Government 'for the unorganised labour sector in various fields;

(b) whether there would be a uniform law pertaining to labour, weges, social schemes and employment etc. for them;